

Today's News - August 15, 2006

Katrina Index: a one-year review of recovery in New Orleans. -- A call for India to call on architectural greats to design Taj's for today. -- With a Jerde mall "only just the right side of Disney" and Hadid about to morph its waterfront, Dyckhoff asks: is Istanbul the next Dubai? -- A new port deal gives new life to Thames Gateway regeneration project. -- Review of land use regulations in top 50 U.S. metropolitan areas: "from exclusionary and restrictive to innovative and accommodating." -- Seattle mayor backs (vertical) urban density, but there are skeptics. -- Architects embrace "evidence-based design" in healthcare design innovations - and it's saving lives. -- A stellar team takes on a new campus for an old school near Philadelphia. -- A "ninth-inning good idea" for Brooklyn's new cultural district. -- In San Francisco, King gets a peek at Shangri-La (but "those trees can't come too soon"). -- After years of false starts, it looks like there might be life for last vacant lot in Times Square. -- Florida Southern College does right by Wright. -- A Canadian architect joins the "international big leagues." -- The woman who revolutionized the "retro-revolutionary movement in American ballpark design." -- Survey about consumer attitudes towards public green space (shows we can't run too many "green" stories!). -- Yale students take on Brooklyn's Red Hook without getting caught up in any of that "real-world stuff." -- Open call for entries for exhibition of public projects in NYC.

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[Special Edition of the Katrina Index: A One-Year Review of Key Indicators of Recovery in Post-Storm New Orleans](#)- Brookings Institution

[Arise From The Clay Earth: Let our cities reflect the new age. Let there be a Taj for today...A great nation or city is defined by its buildings...why don't we have great architects design our new airports in Delhi and Mumbai?](#)- Outlook India

[Turkey's new delights: With a new megamall, modern-art museum and bold plans for the future Istanbul is joining the 21st century...Perhaps "liberalising" Istanbul's cityscape just means real-estate speculation dressed up in its usual clothes...the latest easyJet bolt hole for Western tourists, a new Dubai.](#) By Tom Dyckhoff -- Jerde: Melkan Tabanlıoglu; Zaha Hadid- The Times (UK)

[Dubai Port World clinches deal to build new port on Thames: ...will invest £1.5bn in the 1,500-acre brownfield site...will also be a lift to the Thames Gateway regeneration project - an 80-mile ribbon development stretching from London to the sea...many housing projects previously on hold are more likely to come to fruition](#)- Observer (UK)

[From Traditional to Reformed: A Review of the Land Use Regulations in the Nation's 50 largest Metropolitan Areas: They range from exclusionary and restrictive to innovative and accommodating](#).- Brookings Institution

[\[Mayor\] Nickels backs 60% increase in city's population by 2040: ...says the growth can be accomplished by allowing more apartment and condo towers in some parts of Seattle...But skeptics question the purported benefits...](#)- Seattle Times

[How Hospital Design Saves Lives: Design changes can cut infection rates, lower physician errors, improve staff performance, and make all the difference in delivering care..."evidence-based design" is driving a range of innovations.](#) By Andrew Blum -- [Center for Health Design: Derek Parker/Anshen + Allen; Guenther 5 Architects](#)- BusinessWeek

[\\$212 Campus Grows Outside Philadelphia: ...220-year old Episcopal Academy will soon have a new 123-acre campus.](#) -- Venturi, Scott Brown & Associates; Gund Partnership; Bohlin Cywinski Jackson; Hillier- Interior Design Newswire

[City Expands Its Role in Brooklyn Cultural District: In Fort Greene, a reorganization of development power and a "ninth-inning good idea" for a theater site.](#) -- Hugh Hardy/Frank Gehry; Enrique Norton/TEN Arquitectos; Koolhaas/Diller, Scofidio & Renfro; Dan Wood/Work Architecture Company [images]- New York Times

[Property that's so hyped, you'd think they were selling Shangri-La: ...two cloud-pricking residential towers...Rincon Hill is just a new piece of the puzzle, shaped to the changing nature of urban life...for the rest of us, those trees can't come too soon.](#) By John King -- [Arquitectonica](#); SCB- San Francisco Chronicle

[Planned Tower Would Cap Off Revitalization of Times Square: ...\\$1 billion \[1 million-square-foot building\] on the last parcel in the 13-acre Times Square redevelopment district...](#) -- FXFowle Architects- New York Times

[School does right by architect Wright: Florida Southern College is the only campus of Frank Lloyd Wright structures. It wants to show them off.](#) -- Robert A.M. Stern; Jeffrey Baker [slide show]- Miami Herald

[Higher Power: Toronto architect Siamak Hariri ascends to architectural greatness: ...South American headquarters of the Baha'i faith...has critics reaching for their most outlandish metaphors...the temple puts the Canadian architect in the international big leagues.](#) -- Hariri Pontarini Architects [images]- CBC (Canada)

[A League of Her Own: Remember when Fenway Park felt crusty, creaky, and unsafe? The woman behind its extreme makeover isn't done yet...Janet Marie Smith...the architect who jump-started the retro-revolutionary movement in American ballpark design...](#)- Boston Globe

[Project EverGreen Survey Rates Consumer Attitudes on Green Space Values](#)- Project EverGreen

[Yale Students Imagine the Future of Red Hook: The Brooklyn neighborhood is in the throes of rapid social, economic and physical change: a new show creates a vision of what could be..."They have the advantage of being able to be visionary, and not getting caught up in the real-world stuff too early" \[slide show\]](#)- New York Times

[Open call for entries: "Going Public": a non-juried showcase of recent and proposed](#)

[public projects in New York City: deadline: September 27](#)- Center for Architecture (NY)

[Fine Tuning: Utah State University Performance Hall: Inspired by the surrounding mountains, a new building establishes a campus arts precinct that bridges the town/gown divide. -- Sasaki Associates \[images\]](#)- ArchNewsNow



[-- Inauguration: SANAA/Kazuyo Sejima + Ryue Nishizawa: Zollverein School, Essen, Germany](#)

[-- Under construction: Rem Koolhaas/OMA: Coal Washing Plant, Zollverein Mining Complex, Essen, Germany](#)

[-- Master Plan: Rem Koolhaas/OMA: Zollverein Mining Complex, Essen, Germany](#)

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